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## **BY ECF**

The Honorable Jesse M. Furman United States District Judge Southern District of New York 40 Foley Square New York, New York 10007

Re: <u>United States v. Antonio Velez</u>

21 Cr. 63 (JMF)

Dear Judge Furman:

I write, as counsel to Antonio Velez in the above-captioned matter, to respectfully request a 60-day adjournment of Mr. Velez's sentencing date, currently scheduled for April 12, 2022, and a corresponding extension of sentencing submission deadlines. Defense counsel is currently engaged in a four-week racketeering trial before Judge Liman, which has interfered with counsel's preparation for Mr. Velez's sentencing. An adjournment is therefore necessary in order to ensure the effective representation of Mr. Velez at sentencing. The Government does not object to this request.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Respectfully submitted,

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Marne Lenox Assistant Federal Defender (212) 417-8721 Application GRANTED. Sentencing is hereby ADJOURNED to June 15, 2022, at 3:15 p.m. The Clerk of Court is directed to terminate Doc. #43.

**SO ORDERED:** 

HONORABLE JESSE M. FURMAN

United States District Judge

Sarah Mortazavi, Assistant U.S. Attorney